EXTENT OF MISERY NOT EXAGGERATED

People in Region Devastated by Balkan Wars in Desperate Straits.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) Parls, January 3 .- "There cannot b any exaggeration as to the extent of the

any exaggeration as to the extent of the misery that exists among the Bulgarian population of the region devastated by the two recent Balkan Wars," said Ludovic Nordau, the weil-known French war correspondent, to-day, "Virtually every inhabitant of those regions belonging to the race which has devoted itself to the defense of the Cross against the Cresent has been dereft of all they possessed," declared Mr. Nordau, "except, perhaps, in some instanes a little land and the ruins of former habitations. of former habitations.

"This unqualified misery extends all over Macedonia and Thrace, from Lake Ochrida in the West to the Eastern

Coast of Thrace.

'The treaty of Bucharest placed the majority of the Bulgars, who were formerly under Turkish rule under the domination of the Serbs and Greeks, who still regard them with jealous hos-

"I should estimate the number of sufferers in Macedonia as about 300,000. The country they inhabit is absolutely incapable of affording them any pres ent sustenance. I have been over near-ly all of it. No pictures the imagination can conjure can exceed it in deso-lation. I can easily understand the experation of the people. Although it is weeks since my return from the balkans, I had seen even then har-

AN ANCIENT CITY.

Modern Improvements.

correspondent tells us that the of Canton. China, with 1,500,000 inhabitants, has no place for a street rallway system. Canton is one of the railway system. Canton is one of the wealth less than the chart search and most progressive of all the Chinese cities and it would very much like a modern street railway system. But the space within the ancient walls and fortifications is so crowded that many of the so-called streets are but narrow alleys, not even wide enough for two sedan chairs to pass. There is no room for horses and carriages and certainly not sufficient required the death at the home of her the such charts the next few days, and directors and officers elected.

Barraca Bible Class of the Second Baptist Church has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Teacher, Mrs. J. J. Gardner; president, S. E. Davis; vice-president, Jesse Edwards and P. C. Tench; secretaries, W. H. Gregory and Howard Tucker; treasurer, E. R. Henth; assistant treasurer, isalah Bullfant, and press reporter, Robert Tucker. wide enough for two sedan chairs to pass. There is no room for horses and carriages and certainly not sufficient space for a narrow-gauge railway. But the Chinese engineers are not so easily baffled, and Canton will have its electric railway. It is planned to tear down the ancient stone walls and forted the entire city. The material from these walls will be used to fill some of the old catals which traverse the city. A three-track belt line will be constructed on the site of the old wall, completely encircling the city, and the old canal sites will be used for feeder lines.

Death of Young Woman.

A telegram received last evening announced the death at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Charles N. Wells, in Phoebus, of Miss Annie E. Clarke, daughter of Samuel T. Clarke, of McKenney. The body will be brought to perfect the object of the old wall completely encircling the city, and the old canal sites will be used for feeder lines.

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News of Petersburg

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"The American and English missionaries in the blighted regions should be ent cities in the interest of the Suntheir return from their bridal trip.

very useful in carrying out the re-lief project, as for the most part they speak the regional languages."

day school cause, and as preliminary to the convention of the State con-vention to be held in Lynchburg on

practically completed, and the classes will go into their rooms to-morrow

ed States Cavalry, on Saturday, Decem-

rention to be held in Lynchburg on February 20. Prominent representatives of the State and international associations will address these meetings.

Annual Meetings.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held on January 12. Officers will be elected, and a full report of the work of the chamber during the past year will be made.

Movement for New Home.

Petersburg Lodge, Loyal Order of Mose, last night initiated a number of new members, and appointed appointed a committee to look after the organization of a regular degree team. A movement was also inaugurated to secure a home for the lodge, which now has a membership of 25a. Robert Gilliam, Jr., has been appointed deputy supreme dictator.

Barraca Officers Elected. Movement for New Home.

Boys Teaching Their Daddies.

L. L. Scott, of Drewrysville, wrote to T. O. Sandy the general agent for farm demonstration work in Virginia, as follows:

"My son Jee, who joined the Boys' Corn Club this year, made 130 5-28 husbels of corn upon one acre. This demonstration has not only helped me as a farmer, but it has helped every farmer in our neighborhood to realize teat our boys in the corn club are teat to the city, and check at the cluy, and most up-to-date to th

Notes of More or Less Industrial Charneter From All Over the World. Bombay has 37,932 occupied and 7,784 neccupied houses.

France, in 1913, has exported silk fabrics valued at \$31,115,460, Germany's common schools had more than ten million students in 1911. Salt Lake City women are vigorously fighting the smoke nulsance in that

Sixty thousand dollars a day is the estimate of the loss due to the recent strike in Dublin, Island. French equatorial Africa is about the size of the mother country and has a population of nearly four million.

In the west end of London there are scores of head waiters whose incomes range from \$2,000 to \$3,000 a year from Among the vast crowd of corn grow-

ers who visited Philadelphia recently were 300 girls who have taken up the outdoor work. The ailanthus tree is becoming so abundant in some parts of the United States that the forest service is experimenting in the hope of finding some

In proportion to its weight California redwood is the strongest conifer so far tested at the United States forest products laboratory. This strength is due to its long fibers.

The Philippine Bureau of Forestry reports that American and European lumbermen are trying to procure large and regular shipments of Philippine woods mainly for cabinet making.

CASSASSES CONTRACTOR C

Newport News, Va., January 3.—How Joseph Birdsong, the negro who has been sought by the police for a week on a charge of murdering Mary Wilk-

on a charge of murdering Mary Wilkerson, a negress, outwitted DetectiveSergeant Pearson and Detective Padgett yesterday by a clever ruse of
talking to them on his fingers at the
State school for deaf and dumb negroes,
near the city, came out to-day.

The detectives were "tipped" that
Birdsong was at the school, and they
hurried there to arrest him. As they
entered the schoolyard they met a
negro and asked him if he had seen
Birdsong. The negro did not speak,
but made signs with his fingers as if
talking in the deaf and dumb alphabet. talking in the deaf and dumb alphabet. The officers passed on and searched the schoolyard and houses, but could not find their man, and returned to the

Soon after they arrived there a telephone message came for Sergeant Pearson. The party on the other end of the wire said that he was Joe Birdong, and that it was he who talked o the officers on his fingers at the State school. He gave the detective

the laugh and rang off.

Birdsong has been seen repeatedly near the city since the murder, but has succeeded in eluding the officers.

CARREL ARRIVES RICH TIMBERLAND WITH HIS BRIDE INVOLVED IN BILL

French Wizard of Surgery Sees Relief of Settlers Within Limits Hope for Cure of Bichlo-

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, January 3 .- Dr. Alexis Carrel, the French wizard of surgery, planting blood vessels and even kidneys from one animal to others, ar-rived from Paris to-day on the steamship France with his bride, Anna de la Motte, Marquise de la Mairie Dr. Carrel was told of the recent

experiment at the Johns Hopkins Hos-pital, when the blood of a dog was cleansed by drawing it off and purifying it while the heart continued its action by keeping up the circulation

the diseases of this century, but there will always be lots to do; as I believe when we have found sure cures for the state of the stat diseases heretofore pronounced incur-able, others will spring up, and we

the same period last year of 102,108 bales. The exports were 4,996,973 bales, a decrease of \$1,806 bales. The takings were, by Northern spinners, 1.315,562 bales, a decrease of 30,A085 bales; by Southern spinners, 1,554(789 bales, an increase of 342,875 bales.

E. T. Robertson.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Cartersville, Va., January 3.—E. T.
Robertson died at his home near Cartersville Thursday. Rev. J. R. Taylor conducted buried services at the grave yesterday. He is survived by his wife, six daughters and a son.

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of Grant to Railroads

Washington, January 3 .- Several million dollars' worth of timber land in Louisiana is said to be involved in who was awarded the Nobel prize for the bill of Representative Aswell for relief of settlers within the limits of the grant to the New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Vicksburg Railroad, on which Chairman Ferris, of the House Committee on Public Lands, to-day ar-ranged hearings to begin January 25. The sawmill interests, to which the railroad has sold much of the lands, and the railroad and the settlers will be represented at the hearings. The grant to the railroad was made

ing it while the heart continued its action by keeping up the circulation through the purifier.

"That is a branch of medicine that I am particularly interested in," he replied. "I believe much can be accomplished by such a method, and while I do not care to make any prophecies, it is possible the horrors of bichloride of mercury poisoning may be overcome by these means.

"Radium as a cure for cancer I have much faith in, but it must always be borne in mind that the use of radium might be a grave danger in some cases. Science is slowly conquering the diseases of this century, but there will always be lots to do, as I believe any rights as against patented lands. It directs that all courts give full force and effect to the terms and provisions of the law of 1887, repeating provi-sions intended to protect the rights of the settlers.

nocent purchaser set up by any gran-tee of the railroad shall be sustained except on behalf of one holding in good faith by conveyance under patent from the railroad and actually residing upon the land. All persons claiming title adverse to the company would have to assert their rights before a local land office within two years.

The decision of the Secretary of the Interior as to occupancy of the land and date of definite location of the line of the railroad, would be final.

A. Jones, First Assistant Secretary of the Interior, has advised the Public Land. Committee that he is in Public Lands Committee that he is in hearty sympathy with the main pur-pose of the bill to afford bona fide settiers and their hears the full measure of protection originally designed by the law of 1887, but suggested that the bill be amended so as to remove any question of attempting to destroy any rights now fully vested.

"The Interior Department," Mr. Jones The Interior Department, Mr. Jones added, 'mas held for thirteen years that it was foreclosed of further right to proceed with the adjustment of this grant under the 1887 law wherever there were outstanding patents. The department is unaware what equities may have sireen during this long to may have airsen during this long in-terval in reliance upon such ruling by any predecessors. If patents were issued for lands prior to the passage of that act that were subject to defeas-ance by reason of adverse rights, titles under them have not improved in qual-it if a subsequent act of 1896 had no confirmatory effect, and present holders thereunder are bound to take no-tice of the protection extended to ad-verse settlers as against such patents."

DEMONSTRATION IN CHESTERFIELD

Former in the Good Old County Gives Expression to His Appreciation.
T. D. Barfoot, the farm demonstration agent for Chesterfield County, has been doing some real good work in the

past two or three years, and the folks are beginning to find it out. A letter of recent date addressed to Mr. Barfoot tells an interesting story. It is signed by H. A. Walker, a well known Ches-terfield County farmer, and reads as

"I wish in some way to show my ap-preciation of the benefits received through your demonstration work.
"I can truthfully say I have been fairly successful since 1910, when I began following the new methods sug gested by you.
"To illustrate, where I kept one cow

up to that time (1910), I am now wintering five head of cattle on the same land, and on looking back I can trace the heginning from the heeding of your call in March, 1910.

"Through demonstration methods I have taken the first, second and third prizes at fairs for yields of corn in chesterfield County, and this at a very small cost per bushel, which seems "I thank you, and through you the

ones higher up, who have enabled us farmers to grow." Enlargement of Power Plant.

Martinsburg, West Va., January 3.— The Martinsburg Power Co. has filed a mortgage for \$5,000,000 to secure its bond issue of that amount, the Safe Deposit and Trust Co., of Baltimore, being trustee. The securities, it is said, will be issued in such sums as is expected that the company will prorailway at Martinsburg, besides furnishing light and power to other cor-porations and individuals. The existing plant will be enlarged and im-

COUNTY AGENTS ON THEIR METAL.

Demonstration Men to Compete for Prizes Along New Lines.
President Oliver J .Sands, of the
American National Bank of this city. has addressed a letter to T. O. Sandy, State demonstration agent which reads as follows:

This bank is very glad to act upon your suggestion, and offer \$100 in prizes to be given to the county demon-stration agents. The award is to be made to those agents through whose instrumentality the largest number of water supply systems are installed in country homes in their respective ton

We are fully convinced that there is no work that deserves the support of the institutions of this State more than that in which you are engaged, namely, the improvement of agricul-tural conditions, and when life in the country is made more attractive we will have gone far towards solving the most serious problem now confronting this country.

Panamas May Be Cheaper.

One of the ambitions of the enterprising Philippine Bureau of Agriculture is to introduce the Panama hat industry into the Philippines, says the Scientific American. The plant from which the hats are made is now cultivated in Java, where hats are being woven from its leaves by Japanese women and children, and the product is said to compare favorably with the common grades turned out in South America. The method of preparing the leaves is very similar to that used in the Philippines in preparing sabutan leaves for weaving subutan hats. The Filipinos are skilful hatmakers, and in certain parts of the islands hat weaving is the chief household industry. Experiments in cultivating Carlidovica palmatare now/under way in the Lamao and La Carlota experiment stations in the Philippines.

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Large Juicy Lemons, dozen	
Best American Franklin Brand Granulated Sugar, lb43/40	
Good Large Country Eggs, dozen31c	
New Fat Norway Mackerel, large, 5c, or 6 for25c	
6-lb. bags Prepared Mountain Buckwheat for25c	
Herring Roe, 1-lb. cans, 2 for	
Best California Sherry and Port Wine, gallon\$1.00	
New Cape Cod Cranberries, qu	art12c
Small Best Regular Hams18c	Fresh Roasted Rio Coffee, 18c
3-1b. jars Home-Made Pre- 20c	per lb 18C 3 cans Pocahontas Corn for25c
Large jars Pears8c	Fancy Early June Peas, \$1.15
Extra Fine Bahama Island 17c	10c can; per dozen. D1.10
Best Smyrna Layer Figs, lb11c	12 bars Swift Snap Laundry Soap for 25c
Good Salt Pork, lb12c	Jasmine White California Aspara-
1-lb. pkg. New Dates8c	gus, regular 25c cans 18c
3 bottles Essence Lemon or 10c	Pure Ground Pepper, lb20c
Good Sour Pickles, gallon 30c	Whole Grain Carolina Rice8e
per gallon 60c	Extra Quality Irish Potatoes, 25c peck; bushel. 95c
Verdant Valley Fancy	Snowdrift Lard, all sizes121/2 c
carton 40c	Shredded Cocoanut, lb15c
Best Red Salmon, 2 cans for 25c	Large Fancy Onions, qt6c Solid Hand-Packed High-Grade
Delatour Ginger Ale, \$1.10 good as imported, doz	Tomatoes, large cans. Virginia
7 bars 5c Swift Pride OF	dozen \$1.05
7 bars 5c Swift Pride 25c Soap for 25c	packed, 9c can; per \$1.05 Rival Gelatine high grade, 5c make 4 pints, for 5c
Wine for jelly, qt20c	Best Albemarle Pippin
2-lb. cans Campbell's Pork 9c and Beans 9c	Best Albemarle Pippin 40c
Fresh Country Butter, lb30c	Brookdale Large Canned 20c
Cheese, lb	High Grade Macaroni, 1 lb. 7c
Fancy English Walnuts, 18c	
California Evaporated	Oyster Crackers or Cracker 6c
California Evaporated Peaches, lb 9c	Albemarle County Sweet 200
Ib, in 25-lb. cans 10c	Small Sugar-Cured Regular Hams, Ib
Good 5-string Brooms25c Best Navy Beans, lb5c	lar Hams, lb 18C
A Very Good Mixed Tea, lb25c	Peaches, 14c can; doz. \$1.65
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New Codfish, 1-lb. brick7c Purity Brand-Butterine, lb22c	Pure Albemarle Cider Vine- 25c
Country Sun-dried Apples, lb 9c	California Sherry Wine, OF
Good Carolina Rice, lb7c Sweetheart To'et Soap, 6 bars.25c	for jelly, qt
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Butterfly High Grade Con -	Good Canned Salmon, Alaska
densed Milk, large cans, 11C	dozen
New California Prunes, 3 25c	Monogram Early June, 10c
Quart bottle Finest Maras- chino Cherries 55c	New Valencia Shelled Al- 48c
Virginia Pride Roasted	Corned California Hams. lb 14c
Finest Quality Breakfast Bacon.	Small Smithfield Hams, lb21c Chalmers' Gelatine, 3 pkgs25c
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lbs. to piece, lb 11C	kinds, lb 1UC
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BLACKSBURG [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Blacksburg, Va., January 3.-Miss Anna Hannas was hostess at an informal card party Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 5, her guests including the young girls home from school for the holidays, with some of the younger married set, and Dr. and Mrs. If. S. Reed entertained nearly the same company New Year's eve, when bridge was played and the Incoming year welcomed.

Mrs. George W. Walker, of Hampden-Sidney, is the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Professor and Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Robert M. Patterson, Jr., of Philadelphia, the week here with the latters of the week with relatives.

AMHERST

Amherst, Va., January 3.-Major W. M Hannas was hostess at an informal card Brodle, of Blacksburg, returned home on

daughter, Professor and Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Robert M. Patterson, Jr., of Philadelphia, has been spending the week here with his aunt Mrs. Luiu O. Hoge.

Professor F. M. Robeson returned Wednesday from a visit to Farmville, and was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. G. M. Robeson, who will spend some time in Biacksburg.

Miss Minnie Murrill returned Thursday to her duties as librarian in the Monta Valla Seminary in Alabama.

Miss Cornelia Heffernan, of Washington, Mrs. J. R. Parroit.

William O. Frith, editor of the Princeton Progress, has been spending the holidays.

George B. Thompson, of the Nelson Times, to-day at his home here.

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